

## Message Text

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SUBJ: DECREES TO MAKE MANILA CENTER FOR MULTINATIONAL CORPORATIONS

1. PRESIDENT MARCOS JUNE 19 ISSUED PRESIDENTIAL DECREE 218  
PRESCRIBING INCENTIVES TO ATTRACT MULTINATIONAL COMPANIES INTO  
SETTING UP REGIONAL HEADQUARTERS IN PHILIPPINES.
  2. INCENTIVES INCLUDE SPECIAL VISA ARRANGEMENTS, EXEMPTION  
OF HEADQUARTERS FROM TAXATION, IMPOSITION OF MAXIMUM 15 PERCENT  
TAX ON GROSS INCOME OF ALIEN EMPLOYEES OF HEADQUARTER OPERATIONS,  
AND EXEMPTION FROM CERTAIN REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS APPLIED  
TO FOREIGN BUSINESS.
  3. LOW COST OF LIVING AND LARGE POOL OF ENGLISH- SPEAKING,  
WESTERN- ORIENTED MANPOWER HAS BEEN HIGHLY ATTRACTIVE ASPECT  
OF LOCATING IN PHILIPPINES. NEW DECREE REMOVES SEVERAL IMPEDIMENTS  
WHICH HAVE DISCOURAGED MANY FIRMS FROM TAKING ADVANTAGE OF PHILIP-  
PINE' S BENEFITS AS REGIONAL HEADQUARTERS. CONSIDERABLE UPSURGE  
IN INTEREST IN LOCATING IN PHILIPPINES SEEMS LIKELY AS RESULT  
DECREE 218.
  4. TEXT WILL FOLLOW BY POUCH.
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